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Sir:

In response to the Final Official Action of April 19, 2005, in which a three-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on July 19, 2005, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the herein-contained remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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